

CONFIDENTIAL RECORD SHEET
REGISTRATION SERVICE
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

DATE: 9/5/89

FULL NAME GARY A. STROUP
(No initials if you can possibly get full name)

S.S. NO. [REDACTED]

ADDRESS [REDACTED]

CITY COLUMBUS STATE OHIO ZIP CODE 43202

DATE OF BIRTH 9/13/64 (This is important and should be exact)

APPROXIMATE AGE _____ (To be used ONLY when date of birth is not known)

RELIGION METHODIST NATIONALITY (Citizen of) _____

OCCUPATION STUDENT

EDUCATION _____

WEIGHT 6' 1" HEIGHT 180 RACE WHITE

COLOR OF HAIR BLACK COLOR OF EYES _____

ANY DISTINGUISHING PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS BEARD

HOBBIES OR SPECIAL INTERESTS FORMER CAMP STAFF

MARRIED ☐ SINGLE ☒ NAME OF SPOUSE _____

CHILDREN _____

(Name, number, ages, if possible)

SCOUTING CONNECTIONS:

UNIT #	CITY	STATE	POSITION	DATE REGISTERED	DATE RESIGNED
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S-0911	HARZBURG	OH	SA		
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Chartered Organization _____

SPECIAL RECOGNITION ALSO REGISTERED THROUGH IN-SCHOOL PROGRAMS

INCIDENT: TYPE 2 DATE OF INCIDENT 7/89 RESOLUTION 2, 3
Type Resolution

- 1=Scout Related
2=Non-scout related
3=homosexual (not specifically with youth)

1. Internal (only Scouts Know)
2. Criminal action
3. Court action
4. Probationary status
5. Reported to state agency

Check off list of attached documentation

1. Description of incident
2. Victim(s) statement
3. media reports
4. Legal proceedings
5. Offender's statement
6. Official notification of termination
7. Found guilty/innocent by court

APPROVED SCOUT PREVIOUS

JUN 13 1990

JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Signed

CONFIDENTIAL

SEP 13 1989

F. STARON

Council COLUMBUS

CONFIDENTIAL

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March 20, 1991

Mr. Rendle L. Metzger
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: GARY A. STROUP

Dear Ren:

A recent check of our Ineligible Volunteer File against the National Eagle Scout Association indicated that the above named individual is presently a member of NESA.

This individual is listed on our Ineligible Volunteer File and will not be permitted to register with the Boy Scouts of America. We wanted you to be aware of this, so that the individual cannot participate in any activities with the council, simply because he is a member of NESA. He should not participate in any leadership capacity or assume any responsibility in the Boy Scouts of America. He could participate as a parent if he has a son or daughter involved.

We wanted to make you aware of this, so you would not involve him. Let us know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration and Statistical Service

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cc: Peter M. Barbernitz, East Central Region,

READY FOR FILE
MAR 20 1991
ERIN O'RILEY

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
EAGLE SCOUT SYSTEM
INELIGIBLE VOLUNTEER CHECKING MATCH REPORT

CONT	N.E.S.A. MEMBER FULL NAME	LAST NAME	FIRST
	LELAND C STROUD	STROUD	L
		STEWART	DON
	MICHAEL H. STROUD	STROUD	M
		STEWART	DON
		STEWART	ROBE
		STEWART	RONI
		STEWART SR	DAV
	RICHARD F. STROUD	STROUD	R
		STEWART	DON
	SCOTT S STROUD	STROUD	S
		STEWART	WILL
		STEWART	DON
		STEWART	EDD
		STEWART	JACK
		STEWART	JOHN
		STEWART	ROBE
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		STEWART	DAV
		STREET	JAM
	THOMAS B. STROUD	STROUD	T
		STEWART	DCN
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	JOHN F. STROUD, JR.	STROUD J	J
		STEWART	WILL
		STEWART	JOHN
	BRIAN E STROUP	STROUP	B
		STROUP	GAR
	GREGORY T. STROUP	STROUP	G
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	*GARY A STROUP <i>not finding 441</i>	STROUP	G
		STROBEL	MARI
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	JOHN G. STROUSE	STROUSE	J
		STEESE JR	THOM
		STRAUCH	OTTI
		STROKUSZ	JOSI

August 13, 1990

GARY STROUP

Ben H. Love
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 15720
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

*Denial? 3
Reinstatement*

Dear Mr. Love,

I was surprised, shocked, and very disappointed to receive your letter of July 16, 1990 (a copy is enclosed).

I was shocked because I think this issue deserves more than a standard form letter, shocked because I had expected an opportunity to meet personally with the review committee that would be deciding my fate, shocked that you would allow a decision to be made on this matter without a face to face meeting.

I am writing to you to ask that you reexamine my request for reinstatement. I and others believe that the Boy Scouts of America has turned their back on this issue since it began last August -which resulted in my receiving only a token effort from the regional and national level review committees.

On numerous occasions I have made requests for copies of all policies, guidelines, and directives regarding the process of reinstatement. To date, I have yet to receive any of the requested information from the local, regional, or national offices.

Without this information I have been put at a disadvantage in my preparations for my appeals. I was forced to rely on the precedents set by the East Central Region when preparing my appeal to you. Because the East Central Region had met with me in person I had fully expected the same type of meeting to take place with the national review committee.

I believe that an issue this important, both to me and the BSA movement, calls for a face to face meeting. Especially since a letter could not possibly begin to explain the reasons why I, and many others, believe it is in the best interest of the Boy Scouts of America to reinstate me as a volunteer leader.

The entire situation regarding my suspension and reinstatement has been mismanaged by the Central Ohio

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Council. This concerns me because I believe this mismanagement had a direct impact on the information that the regional and national level review committees received from the local council regarding this issue. I also believe that the mismanagement which took place on the local level biased the entire review procedure. However, I am looking forward to meeting with you to discuss my specific concerns.

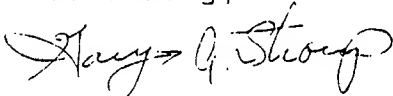
In closing, I would ask that you please keep an open-mind with regards to this issue, and I am asking that you personally investigate this matter further.

Once again I am making a request for a copy of all policies, guidelines, and directives which refer to a volunteer's suspension and reinstatement. I would also like to know the basis and reasoning behind the national review committee's recent decision to uphold my suspension.

As a Scout, I was taught that to be a good leader it is my business to find out the other persons point-of-view before we actually press our own. I am hoping that as the leader of our great movement you will take the time to find out my point-of-view.

I am putting my trust in you to do the right thing. I will be awaiting your speedy reply.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Gary A. Stroup".

Gary A. Stroup

CC: Greg Ilyers

Enclosure

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA



July 16, 1990

Mr. Gary Stroup

[Redacted]
Columbus, Ohio 43202

Dear Mr. Stroup:

On July 10, 1990 a review committee comprised of volunteer members of the Executive Board of the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America conducted a review of the denial of your registration in the Boy Scouts of America.

Please be advised that it was the decision of this review committee to uphold the action of the local council in denying your registration.

Cordially,

Ben H. Love
Chief Scout Executive

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cc: Rendle L. Metzger, Central Ohio Council
Gene Cruse, Regional Director, East Central Region
Paul Ernst, National Director Registration Service

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JERRY WEINER LEGAL SERVICES CO. L.P.A.

Attorneys at Law

COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215

To: Anglim

JERRY WEINER
DONALD R. SHARTZER

JEROME R. DOUTE
GREGORY W. MEYERS

July 2, 1990

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JOSEPH L. ANGLIM

Ben H. Love
Boy Scouts of America

Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Re: Gary Stroup -- Appeal of Suspension
BSA Registration

Dear Mr. Love:

As you may recall, I wrote you on April 20, 1990, on behalf of Gary Stroup to request that the National Council conduct a review of the Regional Council's suspension of Gary Stroup's BSA Registration. In that letter I mentioned that we would be sending you letters supporting Gary's request to be reinstated as a member in good standing of the Boy Scouts of America. To that end, I have enclosed forty-one (41) letters from the following supporters of Gary's reinstatement:

James L. Decker/Scoutmaster Troop 491

Mitchell E. Neff/Assistant District Commissioner-Lodge Advisor-
Katinonkwat Lodge #93

Randy Zimmer/Summer Camp Director-Camp Falling Rock

Rev. Carolyn P. Scott/Harrisburg United Methodist Church

Charles E. Brant/Attorney at Law-Isaac, Brant, Ledman & Becker

Matthew L. Grashel/Assistant Scoutmaster of Troop #18

Penelope A. Mong Ph.D./Girl Scout Officer

Linda S. Price/Intervention Specialist-Newark City School
District

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Essie H. Richardson/Principal-Avondale Elementary School

Michael L. Arthur/Scout Roundtable Commissioner-Scioto Valley
District

Rev. Mark T. Shoemaker/EUMBA Assembly Ground Church-Newark, Ohio

John A. Blais et al./Eagle Scout

Kenneth J. Grimes/Executive Board Member-Miami Valley Council
#444

Raymond Mullins/A.D.C. Scioto Valley

James M. Kern/Scoutmaster-Troop #141

Robert L. Grove, III/ Committee Member of Troop #277

Jeffrey A. Myers/Optometrlist

Jeffrey A. Salyers/Scoutmaster of Troop #79

Jeffrey H. Dixon/Father of a 12 year old Boy Scout

Charles F. Gwinn/District Chairman of the Congaree River District
of the Indian Waters Council

Martin N. Hafey/Virgil Honor Member of the Order of the Arrow

Carol Minnich/Mother of Derek Minnich Troop #491

Anthony L. Tankovich/Scouter and Brotherhood Member of the Order
of the Arrow

Bernard L. Ike/Committee Member of Troop #491
Rich Shiplett/Order of the Arrow-Blackfoot and Nagatamen

Molly Sprague/Mother of Scott Sprague- Cub Scout Pack #412

Maryje Goldsbury/School bus driver

Buck Slack/Scoutmaster Troop #21

Matt Brann/Webelo summer camp

C. Ruth Bolding/Adult Volunteer-Blackfoot


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Lee A. Peters/Fellow active member
Kevin R. Webb/Eagle Scout-Assistant Scoutmaster
Harold M. Hoover/Committee Chairman-Troop #103
Dwight E. Conkey/Scoutmaster
Sandra K. Murdock/Committee Member Troop #275
Richard J. Polentz/Chapter Adviser-Buckeye District-Lodge #93
James L. Decker/Assistant Scoutmaster
Paula Herdman/Troop Advancement Chairman for Troop #491
Ron Nicks/Father of Boy Scouts
Charles M. Emory/Committee Member of Troop #491
Connor C. Swanson/Fellow Scoutmaster

As evidenced by this outpouring of support, Gary has distinguished himself as an excellent and highly respected Scout. On his behalf, I encourage you to implement the procedures necessary to review and, I trust, reverse the suspension of Gary's BSA Registration.

Please do not hesitate to call me if I can be in any way facilitate the review procedure.

Sincerely,



Gregory W. Meyers
Attorney at Law

GWM/clc

Enclosures

cc: Gary Stroup

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June 14, 1990

Mr. Rendle L. Metzger
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Gary A. Stroup

Dear Ren:

Thank you for the detailed information sent concerning the above Scouter. This case has been reviewed with our attorney and is now on our permanent Ineligible Volunteer File.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

READY TO FILE
JUN 14 1990
ERIN O'RILEY

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JERRY WEINER
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GREGORY W. MEYERS

April 6, 1990

J. Daniel Hart, Chairman
Standards of Leadership Committee
East Central Region
Boy Scouts of America
[REDACTED]

Naperville, Illinois 60566-7085

RE: Gary Stroup, BSA Registration

Dear Mr. Hart:

Mr. Stroup received your letter of March 22, 1990, announcing your vote to "uphold the decision of the Central Ohio Council denying [his] application for membership." Obviously, Gary received this news with sadness. He intends to seek a review before the National Council. However, without a detailed explanation of the basis for your committee's decision, Gary cannot possibly comply with your directive to write to the National Council "explaining why [he] believe[s] the decision is in error."

In order to effectively pursue his right of review, I request that you provide me with a detailed explanation of the basis of your decision. At this stage, Gary simply cannot adequately address your concerns without knowledge of the facts underlying the original decision to suspend his registration and your committee's subsequent vote to uphold that decision.

As evidenced by the attached letters, neither you, Mr. Barbernitz, nor Mr. Hickman ever stated the basis for suspending Gary's registration or terminating his employment with BSA. In Mr. Barbernitz's reply letter to me, he states: "After the jury trial you my activate your request for a review." Gary was acquitted at trial. Your committee convened; and upheld a decision, the basis of which has never been articulated.

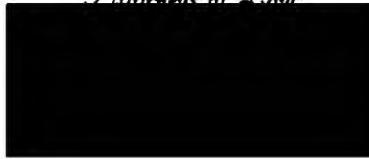
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APR 23 1990

Attorney at Law



Received DAVID K PARK
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JERRY WEINER
DONALD R. SHARTZER

JEROME R. DOUTE
GREGORY W. MEYERS

April 20, 1990

Mr. Ben H. Love
Chief Scout Executive
Boy Scouts of America
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P.O. Box 15720
Irving, Texas 75015-2079

Re: Gary Stroup
Review of Suspension of BSA
Registration

Dear Mr. Love:

I am writing on behalf of my client Gary Stroup to ask that you initiate the National Council's review procedures of the East Central Regional decision to uphold the Central Ohio Council's suspension of Mr. Stroup's Registration with the Boy Scouts of America. I have enclosed copies of the correspondence which tracks the history of this situation.

As you can see from the correspondence, Mr. Stroup's BSA Registration was suspended after he was accused of criminal offenses alleging sexual misconduct. The allegations did not arise from contact during scouting activities; and they did not result in convictions. Mr. Stroup was acquitted at trial on all charges.

Because Mr. Stroup was acquitted (one boy's testimony was so infirm that all charges connected with him were dismissed mid-trial by the Judge) and because he was not involved in a scouting activity, we believe the decision to suspend his registration is in error. On his behalf, I ask that the National Council review this decision. I would also appreciate it if you could send me whatever guidelines apply to this review procedure so that Mr. Stroup can effectively present his position.

In the near future, I will be mailing to you letters supporting Mr. Stroup from various BSA members. Mr. Stroup is widely known in the Central Ohio Scouting community. He was employed as the Program Director at the local BSA camps during the summer months;

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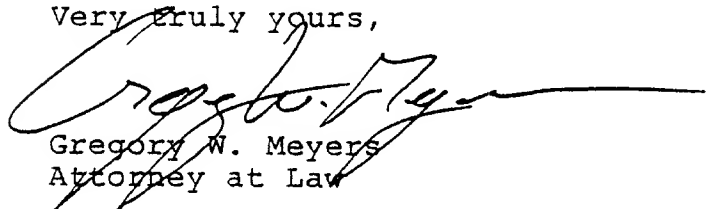
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Chief Scout Executive
Boy Scouts of America
April 20, 1990
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and he was employed in the In-School Scouting Program during the school year. For Gary Stroup, suspension of registration meant the loss of these employment positions, along with losing the privilege of continuing the near life-long involvement with scouting.

Again, I ask that you send me whatever information is available describing the National review process so that Mr. Stroup can cooperate with you to the fullest extent possible.

Thank you in advance for your attention to these matters.

Very truly yours,



Gregory W. Meyers
Attorney at Law

GWM/c
Enclosure
cc: Gary Stroup

Mr. J. Daniel Hart, Chairman
East Central Region, BSA
April 5, 1990
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I respectfully suggest that it is fundamentally unfair to offer Gary the opportunity of review before the National Council without providing him any details of the decision. Thus, I ask that you send me a detailed explanation of the basis of your decision; a copy of the BSA Regulations, By-Laws, etc., that set forth the rules for your review committee, as well as the rules for the National Council's review committee. Given Gary's time constraints for notifying the National Council, I ask that you respond to these requests by no later than April 11, 1990.

Thank you in advance for your attention to this matter.

Very truly yours,


Gregory W. Meyers
Attorney at Law

Enclosure

cc: M. Gene Cruse, Regional Director
Peter M. Barbernitz, Assistant Regional Director

March 22, 1990

Mr. GARY A. Stroup

Columbus, OH 43202

Dear Mr. Stroup:

Thank you for attending the Standards of Leadership Committee meeting of the East Central Region held on March 19 in Columbus, Ohio.

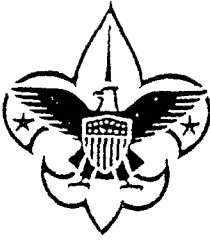
The committee unanimously voted to uphold the decision of the Central Ohio Council denying your application for membership. This decision is subject to review by a National Council review committee but you must write within 30 days to the Chief Scout Executive, Boy Scouts of America, 1325 Walnut Hill Lane, P. O. Box 19270, Irving, TX 75015-2070, explaining why you believe the decision is in error, before review proceedings will be initiated at the national level.

Sincerely yours,

J. Daniel Hart, Chairman
Standards of Leadership Committee

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cc: M. Gene Crum, Regional Director
Peter M. Barberoliz, Assistant Regional Director
Rendle L. Matzger, Scout Executive, Columbus
Paul Ernst, Registration Director, S100



East Central Region
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

[REDACTED]
Naperville, IL 60566-7085
708-983-6730

March 22, 1990

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[REDACTED]

Columbus, OH 43202

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J. Daniel Hart, Chairman
Standards of Leadership Committee

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cc: M. Gene Cruse, Regional Director
Peter M. Barbernitz, Assistant Regional Director
Rendle L. Metzgar, Scout Executive, Columbus
Paul Ernst, Registration Director, S108

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NOTES FOR FILE: Gary Stroup

Grew up in Columbus, Ohio.

Works as a chef at [REDACTED].

Is attending Columbus State University then plans to go to Capital University. Major in elementary education and minor in business science and math.

Has a lady friend but she is not a girl friend.

He met [REDACTED], mother of the [REDACTED] involved, as a fellow employee in the Inner-School Scouting program of the Central Ohio Council. Both were paid leaders.

He has served as program director and several other camp positions for Central Ohio Council. He worked at Camp Lazarus for several years.

Has been in Scouting since he was 7 years old and is an Eagle Scout.

In 1981 he was on a camp staff and worked at the National Jamboree.

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When [REDACTED] were graduating from Webelos to Boy Scouting, he arranged with their mother to "recognize" their achievement by taking the boys to a movie and then to his apartment for an indoor campout. Following this overnight experience the boys were returned to their home. This occurred on June 15, 1989.

In August, 1989 [REDACTED] saw the video tape "A Time to Tell." After viewing the tape she discussed with her sons a report they had given to her concerning Gary Stroup's actions on June 15. Childrens Service Bureau was called. An investigation followed and Gary Stroup was arrested and charged with "Gross Sexual Imposition" on 7 counts.

He relayed to us the statements made in court by [REDACTED]. All indications to us are that these boys did not make up these charges. The pattern is very incriminating—taking 2 eleven year old boys to a movie, returning then to his apartment with no one else present, giving them R rated movies to view on the VCR, allowing them in his bedroom and off his bed to review his patch collection and memorabilia.

Even though he was found "not guilty" by a jury, we feel he should not be permitted registration in the Boy Scouts of America under any circumstances.

He violated the rule of two even though he denied it was a camping trip.

He indicated that he frequently has boys come to his apartment for overnight stays.

Mr. Stroup feels [REDACTED] was jealous of his Scouting abilities. [REDACTED] is also a teacher but is on leave because of some mental problems--these were prior to the incident. An older brother of [REDACTED] attempted suicide a few months prior to this incident.

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cc: Rendle L. Metzgar
David K. Park, S400
Paul Ernst, S108
M. Gene Cruse
J. Daniel Hart

The State of Ohio,

: Case No. 89CR-09-4316

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

The State of Ohio,

: Case No. 89CR-09-4316

Plaintiff

: 1990, January Session

- v -

: Indictment: Gross Sexual

Gary Stroup

: Imposition

Defendant

:

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VERDICT

We, the Jury, being first duly sworn, find the defendant Gary Stroup, Not Guilty of Gross Sexual Imposition as he stands charged in Count One of the indictment. (This count relates to the allegation regarding [REDACTED] at the theatre on June 15, 1989.)

Signed this 15 day of February, 1990 by each and every juror.

Camela Bundy
FOREPERSON

Cheryl James

Sandra Rolland

Sharon Herring

Sandra Ross

Linda Neill

Donald K. Pappas

Christine M. Walters

Joseph H. Butts Jr.

In Absentia: Fred Lott

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CLERK OF COURTS
FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

The State of Ohio,
Plaintiff

- v -

Gary Stroup
Defendant

: Case No. 89CR-09-4316
: 1990, January Session
: Indictment: Gross Sexual
: Imposition
:
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VERDICT

We, the Jury, being first duly sworn, find the defendant Gary Stroup, Not Guilty of Gross Sexual Imposition as he stands charged in Count Six of the indictment. (This count relates to the allegation regarding [REDACTED] in the bedroom of the defendant's home on June 16, 1989.)

Signed this 15 day of February, 1990 by each and every juror.

Pamela Cuddy
FOREPERSON
Casale James
Andrea Rolland
Sharon Herring
Sandra Ross
Linda Reil
Brenda Payne
Robert M. Butler
Christine M. Warkus
Joseph H. Butts Jr.
John W. Pratt
Dorothea Zapp

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THOMAS J. LARICH
CLERK OF COURTS

COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO
CRIMINAL ACTION

State of Ohio,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Gary Stroup

Defendant.

January Term, 1990

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Indictment: Gross Sexual

Imposition

(7 counts)

This day February, 1990, came the Prosecuting Attorney on behalf of the State of Ohio, the defendant being in Court with counsel Greg Myers, also came the following persons as jurors,

who were duly impaneled and sworn according to law and after hearing the evidence adduced, the arguments of counsel and the charge of the Court, the Alternate Juror was discharged and the Jury retired to their room in charge of an officer for deliberation and afterwards were conducted into open court by an officer with the following verdict in writing signed by all 12 members of the Jury, to-wit:

We, the Jury in this case, find the defendant

NOT GUILTY

all counts

12 Regular jurors served for a period of 4 days each.

1 Alternate jurors served for a period of 4 days each.

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Judge Close

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: Case No. 89CR-09-4316
: 1990, January Session
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: Imposition

GREGORY W. MEYERS

ATTORNEY AT LAW

COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215

COPY

February 26, 1990

Peter M. Barbernitz
Assistant Regional Director
East Central Region
Boy Scouts of America

Naperville, Illinois 60566-7085

Re: Gary Stroup

Dear Mr. Barbernitz:

I am very pleased to inform you that Gary Stroup was acquitted at trial on the allegations that led to the suspension of his registration with the Boy Scouts of America. I have enclosed for your records certified copies of the judicial documents evidencing his acquittal on all charges.

As you may know Mr. Stroup initially faced seven counts alleging improper conduct -- four counts connected with one boy's allegations and three with the other's. All four counts connected with the first boy were dismissed mid-trial by the prosecutor because his testimony was too weak to justify submitting those counts to the jury. The jury returned Not Guilty verdicts on the remaining three counts.

On behalf of Mr. Stroup, I respectfully request that his registration be reactivated and that he be allowed to resume the responsibilities of his employment with the Boy Scouts of America. If there are formal procedures for processing the appeal of Mr. Stroup's suspension, I ask that you send me copies of the regulations governing this procedure so that I may properly represent Mr. Stroup's interest in reactivating his registration.

CONF012271

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO

The State of Ohio,
Plaintiff
- v -
Gary Stroup
Defendant

: Case No. 89CR-09-4316
: 1990, January Session
: Indictment: Gross Sexual
: Imposition
:
:

V E R D I C T

We, the Jury, being first duly sworn, find the defendant Gary Stroup, Not Guilty of Gross Sexual Imposition as he stands charged in Count Two of the indictment. (This count relates to the allegation regarding [REDACTED] in the living room of the defendant's home on June 15, 1989.)

Signed this 15th day of February, 1990 by each and every juror.

Camela Sudy
FOREPERSON
Wesley Jones
Danah Pelland
Thawn Herring
Andrew Ross
Linda Neill
Elizabeth Kaye
Charles M. Dumas
Christine M. Winkler
Joseph H. Butler
Jo Ann Grubbs
Dorothea Zapp

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The State of Ohio,
Plaintiff

- v -

Gary Stroup
Defendant

: Case No. 89CR-09-4316
: 1990, January Session
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: Imposition
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VERDICT

We, the Jury, being first duly sworn, find the defendant Gary Stroup, Not Guilty of Gross Sexual Imposition as he stands charged in Count Six of the indictment. (This count relates to the allegation regarding [REDACTED] in the bedroom of the defendant's home on June 16, 1989.)

Signed this 15 day of February, 1990 by each and every juror.

Pamela Eudy
FOREPERSON
Leslie James
Lesha Holland
Sharon Herring
Sandra Ross
Linda Neill
Elizabeth Payne
Elizabeth M. Dutton
Christine M. Walters
Joseph H. Butts Jr.
John W. Pratt
Dorothea Zapp

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COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF FRANKLIN COUNTY, OHIO
CRIMINAL ACTION

State of Ohio,

Plaintiff,

vs.

Gary Stroup

Defendant.

January Term, 1990

Case No. 89CR-09-4316

Indictment: Gross Sexual

Imposition

(7 counts)

This day February, 1990, came the Prosecuting Attorney on behalf of the State of Ohio, the defendant being in Court with counsel Greg Myers, also came the following persons as jurors, to-wit:

who were duly impaneled and sworn according to law and after hearing the evidence adduced, the arguments of counsel and the charge of the Court, the Alternate Juror was discharged and the Jury retired to their room in charge of an officer for deliberation and afterwards were conducted into open court by an officer with the following verdict in writing signed by all 12 members of the Jury, to-wit:

We, the Jury in this case, find the defendant NOT GUILTY

all counts

12 Regular jurors served for a period of 4 days each.

1 Alternate jurors served for a period of 4 days each.

1 Regular Juror 3 day
1 Alternate Juror 3 day

CP
Judge Close

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Court of Common Pleas,
Franklin County, Ohio

CRIMINAL DISPOSITION SHEET
(INDIVIDUALS ONLY)

STATE OF OHIO,

GARY STROUP
(Defendant)

- vs -

FILED No. 8903-09-4316

MINOR PLEAS COURT

PLEA OF GUILTY to Indictment/Count Nos. 00 FEB 15 PM 3:13

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FOUND GUILTY of Indictment/Count Nos. _____

FOUND NOT GUILTY of Indictment/Count Nos. 3, 4, 5 + 7

MINIMUM TERM

by state at close of their case

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1, 2, 4, 6

____ Aggravated Murder
With Specifications

____ Death _____ 30 Years to Life

____ 20 Years to Life

\$ _____
(Max. \$25,000)

____ Additional 3 Years Actual Incarceration for use of Firearm

____ Aggravated Murder

____ 20 Years to Life

\$ _____
(Max. \$25,000)

____ Additional 3 Years Actual Incarceration for use of Firearm

____ Murder

____ 15 Years to Life

\$ _____
(Max. \$15,000)

____ Additional 3 Years Actual Incarceration for use of Firearm

____ Aggravated Felony 1
(Previously Convicted)

____ to 25 Years
(10, 11, 12, 13, 14, or 15 Actual Incarceration)

\$ _____
(Max. \$10,000)

____ Aggravated Felony 1
(Not Previously Convicted)

____ to 25 Years
(3, 6, 7, 8, 9 or 10 Optional Actual Incarceration)

\$ _____
(Max. \$10,000)

____ Felony 1

____ to 25 Years
(4, 5, 6, 7)

\$ _____
(Max. \$10,000)

____ Additional 3 Years Actual Incarceration for use of Firearm

____ Aggravated Felony 2
(Previously Convicted)

____ to 15 Years
(8, 9, 10, 11, or 12 Actual Incarceration)

\$ _____
(Max. \$7,500)

____ Aggravated Felony 2
(Not Previously Convicted)

____ to 15 Years
(3, 4, 5, 6, 7 or 8 Optional Actual Incarceration)

\$ _____
(Max. \$7,500)

____ Felony 2

____ to 15 Years
(2, 3, 4 or 5)

\$ _____
(Max. \$7,500)

____ Additional 3 Years Actual Incarceration for use of Firearm

____ Aggravated Felony 3
(Previously Convicted)

____ to 10 Years
(3, 6, 7 or 8 Actual Incarceration)

\$ _____
(Max. \$5,000)

____ Aggravated Felony 3
(Not Previously Convicted)

____ to 10 Years
(2, 3, 4 or 5 Optional Actual Incarceration)

\$ _____
(Max. \$5,000)

____ Felony 3

____ to 10 Years
(2, 2 1/2, 3 or 4)

\$ _____
(Max. \$5,000)

____ Additional 3 Years Actual Incarceration for use of Firearm

____ Felony 3
(No Harm or Threat)

____ Determinate Sentence
(1, 1 1/2 or 2)

\$ _____
(Max. \$5,000)

____ Felony 4

____ to 5 Years
(1 1/2, 2, 2 1/2, 3)

\$ _____
(Max. \$2,500)

____ Additional 3 Years Actual Incarceration for use of Firearm

____ Felony 4
(No Harm or Threat)

____ Determinate Sentence
(1 1/2, 1 or 1 1/2)

\$ _____
(Max. \$2,500)

____ Misdemeanor 1

None

(Max. 6 Months)

\$ _____
(Maximum \$1,000)

____ Misdemeanor 2

None

(Max. 90 Days)

\$ _____
(Maximum \$750)

____ Misdemeanor 3

None

(Max. 60 Days)

\$ _____
(Maximum \$500)

____ Misdemeanor 4

None

(Max. 30 Days)

\$ _____
(Maximum \$250)

____ Minor Misdemeanor

None

None

\$ _____
(Maximum \$100)

Restitution Ordered In the Amount of \$ _____

Referred for pre-Sentence Report _____

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(Special Conditions of Probation)

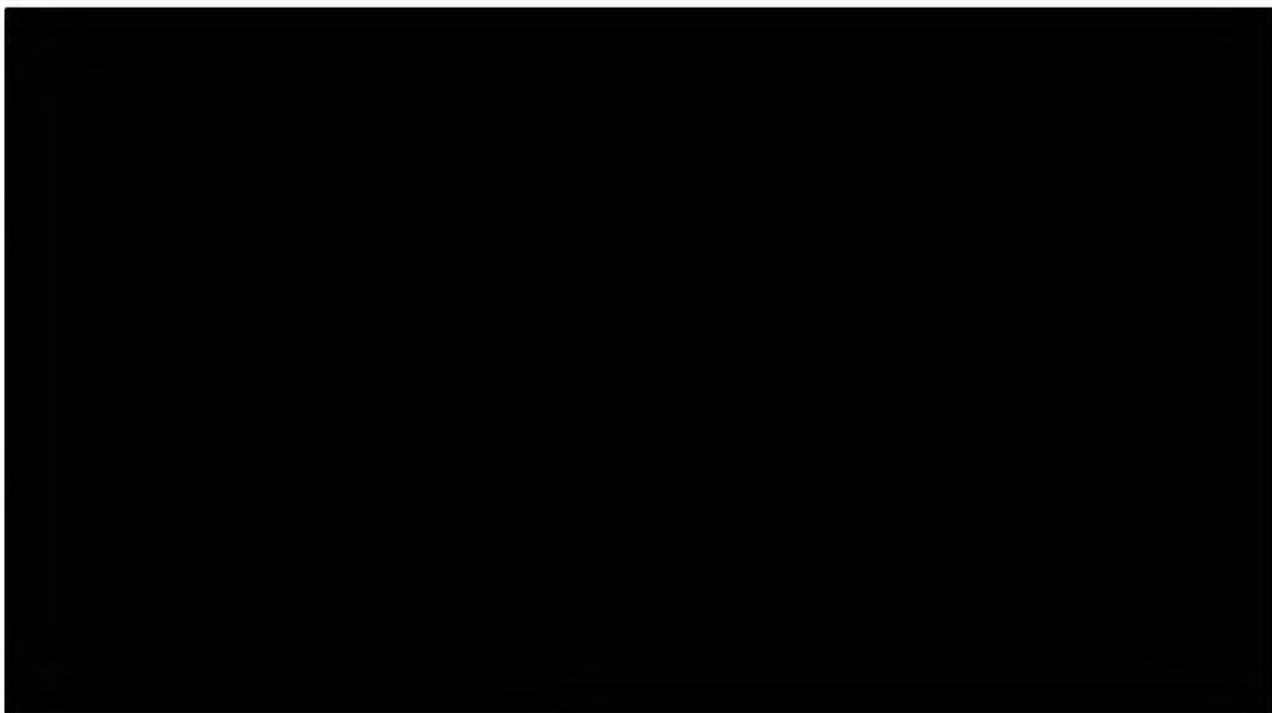
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2/15/90 [Signature]

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East Central Region
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

[REDACTED]
Naperville, IL 60566-7085
[REDACTED]

December 6, 1989

Mr. Gregory W. Meyers
[REDACTED]

Columbus, OH 43215

Dear Mr. Meyers:

Your correspondence to William E. Hickman, concerning a possible appeal of the suspension of Gary Stroup's registration with the Boy Scouts of America, has been forwarded to our office. This is to inform you that since Mr. Stroup's case is still pending and the jury trial has not yet been conducted, the suspension will continue. After the jury trial you may activate your request for a review.

Sincerely yours,

Peter M. Barbernitz
Assistant Regional Director

PMB:jb

cc: T. Klick, DFS, Columbus
R. Metzgar, SE, Columbus
P. Ernst, S108
P. Bucklin, AD, Area Six

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GREGORY W. MEYERS

ATTORNEY AT LAW

[REDACTED]
COLUMBUS, OHIO 43215
[REDACTED]

COPY

October 31, 1989

William E. Hickman
Council President
Central Ohio Council 441
Boy Scouts of America
[REDACTED]
Columbus, Ohio 43229

Re: Gary Strcup

Dear Mr. Hickman:

I represent Gary Stroup in connection with the allegations that led to the suspension of his Registration with the Boy Scouts of America. Gary and I are confident that truth will prevail with an acquittal at trial on these false allegations.

Once vindicated in court, Gary will request a reinstatement of his Registration with the Boy Scouts of America. To that end, I request, on his behalf, that the Council review his suspension announced in your letter dated August 23, 1989.

I realize that I am making this request beyond the sixty days from the date of that letter. Please accept my apology on his behalf. Gary long-ago gave me a copy of that letter and I advised him to allow me to respond on his behalf because of the pending criminal charges. My response was delayed by the fact I deemed it necessary to await the arrival of the Prosecutor's Response to my Demand For Discovery filed in the pending criminal case. I received their Response in my office on October 28, 1989.

In your August 23, 1989, letter, you requested that Gary explain his version of the facts supporting his claim that he Registration should be reinstated. Simply stated: he is not guilty. Gary did not mistreat or abuse [REDACTED] in any way whatsoever. Rather, acting on the same sentiments that animated his life-long involvement with the Boy Scouts, Gary went to the movies with these boys in celebration of their graduation from Webelos to the Tenderfoot level. Gary knew [REDACTED] both from Scout camp and through his professional relationship with their mother, [REDACTED], also an employee

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Page Two

William E. Hickman

October 31, 1989

of the Boy Scouts who, like Gary, worked in the schools. He took them to a movie; let them "camp out" in his living room; and, the next morning, allowed them to enjoy his Boy Scout Memorabilia before taking them home. For reasons unknown (and not rooted in reality), weeks later these allegations surfaced.

Again, on his behalf, I request that you review the suspension of Gary's Registration as a member of the Boy Scouts of America. Perhaps it would be best to await the outcome of the criminal proceedings. However, if you think it is appropriate to conduct the review before the jury trial, please let me know so Gary can avail himself of the opportunity to clear his name.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Gregory W. Meyers", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Gregory W. Meyers

GWM/heh -

cc: Gary Stroup

CONF012279

September 20, 1989

TO: RENDLE L. METZGAR

FROM: RUBY M. HAMM

RE: LEGAL ACTION - GARY STROUP/STEVE SCHOEDINGER

I spoke with Sgt. Rippey, Columbus Police Department, this a.m. regarding the outcome of legal action against Gary Stroup and Steve Schoedinger.

Gary Stroup - Arrested and released on Bond. Will go before Grand Jury. Did not know trial date. Call back in 30 days.

Steve Schoedinger - Has not been arrested. Will go before Grand Jury. Did not know trial date. Call back in 30 days.

I will call Sgt. Rippey in approximately 30 days for the outcome of the legal action, and forward to Paul Ernst for completion of registration files.

cc: Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

CONF012280

September 15, 1989

READY FOR FILE

SEP 15 1989

JULIE EATON

Mr. Rendle L. Metzger
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: GARY A. STROUP

Dear Ren:

We have now received the Confidential Record Sheet and appreciate this very much. This is most complete and will enable us to recognize Mr. Stroup should he attempt registration in another area.

We would like to have the outcome of the legal action by the Children Services and the Police department. If there is to be any legal action against Mr. Stroup, please send us this, so that our file will be strengthened.

Thanks for your help in completing this file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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cc: East Central Region

CONF012281

August 29, 1989

READY FOR FILE
AUG 30 1989
A. GRAVES

Mr. Rendle L. Metzger
Scout Executive
Central Ohio Council, No. 441

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

SUBJECT: Gary A. Stroup

Dear Ren:

Thanks so much for the material you recently sent concerning the above name individual. This is most helpful to us as we start a file which will lead to refusal of future registration attempts.

You indicate in your letter that a Confidential Record Sheet is enclosed, but we do not find one in this material. Perhaps, someone inadvertently omitted it. I am enclosing another one for your use in case you need it.

A credit has been issued for \$3.85 returning the Boys' Life fee for those issues which will not be delivered. If you feel there is a need for further credits, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Thanks again for your help in completing this file.

Sincerely,

Paul Ernst, Director
Registration Service

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Enclosure

cc: East Central Region

CONF012282



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Central Ohio Council 441

August 24, 1989

Mr. Paul Ernst
Registration Service
National Council
1325 Walnut Hill Lane
P. O. Box 152079
Irving, TX 75015-2079

Dear Paul:

Today we removed Mr. Gary^A Stroup from our registration file.

Enclosed is the research and confidential record sheet as best we have it today. On Thursday, August 24, 1989, a letter from the Council President was personally delivered to Mr. Stroup.

Additional investigation by Children's Services and the Police Department are proceeding.

I submit his name for our confidential file.

Sincerely,

Rendle L. Metzgar
Scout Executive

FOR
REN
METZGAR

RLM/rh

cc: Paul Bucklin
William Hickman
Matt Ackerman
Chuck Wolfe

Added to CF file
Deleted from
reg. files
8/28/89
cm

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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Central Ohio Council 441

August 23, 1989

Mr. Gary Stroup

Columbus, Ohio 43202

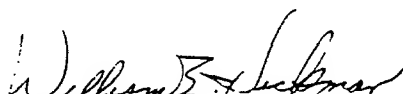
Dear Mr. Stroup:

After careful review, we have decided that your registration with the Boy Scouts of America should be suspended. We are therefore compelled to request that you sever any relations that you may have with the Boy Scouts of America.

You should understand that BSA membership registration is a privilege and is not automatically granted to everyone who applies. We reserve the right to suspend registration whenever there is a concern that an individual may not meet the high standards of membership which the BSA seeks to provide for American youth.

If you wish to have this decision reviewed by a council review committee, please write to me within 60 days of the date of this letter, explaining your version of the facts supporting your claim that your registration as a BSA member should be reinstated. The procedures for a review of this decision are attached.

Sincerely yours,


William E. Hickman
Council President

WEH:rmh
Enclosure

CONF012284

August 22, 1989

TO: REN METZGAR
FROM: MATT ACKERMAN
RE: SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE
GARY STROUP

8/18 4:35 P.M.

SITUATION:

As part of the In-School Scouting Training Program, the video "A Time To Tell" was shown to all teachers. After viewing the video, teacher [REDACTED] went to Mary Ellen Hartley with concerns over Gary Stroup. Mary Ellen and [REDACTED] brought the concerns to the attention of Chuck Wolfe.

She alleged on an over night stay that her two sons participated unchaperone with Gary Stroup, that he fondled them as some "wrestling got out of hand" they came home saying they did not want to ever stay again with Gary.

RESPONSE:

We immediately called Franklin County Children Services at [REDACTED] and reported the incident to Greg Norman, Intake Officer. We specifically asked to be notified of any findings so we could take the appropriate action.

AUGUST 21, 1989

Allegedly a second contact took place this summer with the same boys at Camp Falling Rock.

Still waiting for a response from Franklin County Children Services.

Phoned Ren at 3:45 p.m. this date.

MA/rh

cc: Sue Phillips
Larry Garrison

CONF012285

August 24, 1989

ADDENDUM TO GARY STROUP FILE

Talked to Dottie James, Franklin County Children's Services, she recommended that Gary Stroup be removed from further contact with youth. Gary, this morning, is at the Police Station undergoing questioning.

RECOMMEND that we serve the letter suspending registration.

Chuck Wolfe will meet with Organization Chartered Head at 11:00 a.m. this date.

Dottie James uncovered a third incident that occurred at Gary's house.

CW/rh

cc: Sue Phillips
Larry Garrison

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CENTRAL OHIO COUNCIL
BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA
SUSPECTED CHILD ABUSE REPORTING FORM

The following information was provided to:

Mary Ellen Bradley - In School Scouting Coordinator
(Name of person/position)

[REDACTED] - [REDACTED], Columbus, Ohio 43229
(Telephone number/address)

Child's name: [REDACTED] Date of birth: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]
Columbus, Ohio 43229

Parent's name: [REDACTED]

Address: [REDACTED]

Telephone No: ([REDACTED]) [REDACTED]

Physical indicators observed: [REDACTED]

Behavioral indicators observed: [REDACTED] came home from a sleepover highly upset and reported to parents what Mr. [REDACTED] had done to them - Over affectionate and touched their private parts

Other indicators observed/known - Principal of [REDACTED] Exie Richards reported that a parent was upset because [REDACTED] was too affect. with his son and wanted no further contact with [REDACTED]

Reporter's name and position: Mary Ellen Bradley
In School Scouting Coordinator

Date of report: Aug. 22, 1989 Signature: Mary Ellen Bradley

RLM/rh

(4/10/6)

CONF012287

August 22, 1989

Mary Ellen Zarley

In School Scouting Coordinator

I met with Dixie Richardson, principal at [REDACTED] Elementary, and shared with her the information about In School Scouting leader Gary Stoup. This information deals with suspected child abuse with [REDACTED]

at [REDACTED]

Mrs. Richardson informed me of an incident that happened several years ago when a father complained that Gary was too affectionate with his son and asked that his son have no further contact with Gary Stoup. Mrs. Richardson has informed Gary that he is not to touch any of the children and that if Gary wants to do any Scouting activities after school that he was to contact the Parents first.

Mary Ellen Zarley
In-School Scouting Coordinator

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MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION SYSTEM
MEMBER DETAIL SELECT LIST

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MEMBERSHIP SUPPORT SYSTEM
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CNCL 441 PRG/UNIT S0491 SEQ. 023390
FIRST: GARY A LAST: STROUP
ADDR1: ADDR2: ADDR3: COLUMBUS ADDR4: ZIP: 43202
REG STATUS: R ENROLL: 0484 BIRTH: 0964 SEX: M AGENCY: M ADULT/YOUTH: A
POSITION: SA FINDERCODE: 50 PHONE: BULK: MAG-STATUS: A
REN DAT: 0390
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BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

002403
COUNCIL

No. 441 Date 8-28-89

REFER TO YOUR TRANSMITTAL REPORT NO. _____

☒ CREDIT NOTICE ☐ DEBIT NOTICE

REGISTRATION SERVICE

REGISTRATION Unit No. 50491 Term _____ months

☐ unit ☐ additional enrollment

☐ Unit charter fee of \$20. Received \$ _____ Required \$ _____

☐ _____ Leaders { _____ multiple @ \$ _____ each. Received \$ _____ Required \$ _____
_____ transfer

_____ Members { _____ multiple @ \$ _____ each. Received \$ _____ Required \$ _____
_____ transfer

☐ _____ Members _____ Leaders listed on transmittal form _____ on application

☐ Transfers must pay \$1 each. Renewal date given copy We have _____

☐ Not on transmittal report ☐ Duplicate entry ☐ No application received

☐ Correction made per your letter/telephone call _____

☐ No answer to our defective registration telephone inquiry _____

☐ Returning _____ ☐ Under age ☐ Incomplete address ☐ Name missing

BOYS' LIFE Term 5 months

☐ Paid for 1 subscriptions; listed _____ subscriptions. Received \$ 6.60 Required \$ 2.25

Incorrect fees: _____ subscriptions. ☐ Back issues are not available.

☐ Please check attached copy. Pay debit—Use credit or return with copy of the roster showing corrections needed.

Issues of B/L Tony A Stroup will not receive

Please add or subtract the amount(s) indicated on your next transmittal in the proper column(s) and return the original.

BILLING	Unit Charter Fee	\$ _____	Explorer	\$ _____
	Tiger Cub	\$ _____	Career Awareness Explorer	\$ _____
	Cub Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ _____
	Boy Scout	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ _____
	Varsity Scout	\$ _____	Total	\$ _____
CREDITING	Unit Charter Fee	\$ _____	Explorer	\$ _____
	Tiger Cub	\$ _____	Career Awareness Explorer	\$ _____
	Cub Scout	\$ _____	Leader	\$ _____
	Boy Scout	\$ _____	Boys' Life	\$ <u>3.85</u>
	Varsity Scout	\$ _____	Total	\$ <u>3.25</u>



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

Central Ohio Council 441

August 23, 1989

Mr. Gary Stroup

[REDACTED]
Columbus, Ohio 43202

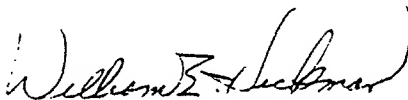
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Sincerely yours,


William E. Hickman
Council President

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Enclosure

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